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Dear Josh:

I hasten to reply to your letter of October 27. I am afraid that, in trying to be completely informative about Herzenberg, I created the wrong impression. Jacques Monod certainly did not emphasize Herzenberg's "exuberance"; and I have seen nothing to which I could take the slightest exception in his relationships with either me or the rest of the staff. On the contrary, he has an outgoing and pleasing personality, has established fruitful contacts with a number of workers in other institutes, and is actively collaborating with two or three of them.

I hope your letter means that you are giving him some consideration with respect to the new setup at Stanford. I think he is an extremely well informed, energetic and enthusiastic worker, whose rather wide background in biochemistry, genetics, and now animal cell culture, would appear to qualify him ideally for the kind of things you contemplate. I should tell you that there is a possible opening in another Institute here which is being explored at the present time. If your interest in Herzenberg is real, I would urge you to make the necessary exploratory contact with him in the near future.

I don't have to tell you how much I personally enjoyed your visit, and how much the staff appreciated their all too brief opportunity to meet with you. I am pleased to learn you will be going to Stanford in February, and infer from your letter that you may be going to Italy as you had planned later in the year. If you do, please remember your half promise to spend at least a few days with us on route.

With kind regards,

Cordially,

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